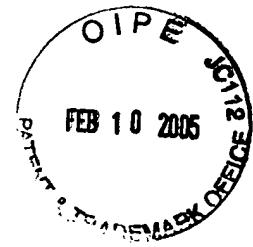


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Application of : Robert Tam Art Unit : 1635
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Amendment under 37 CFR 1.312

Sir:

All claims have been allowed in the above-referenced application, and prosecution is closed on the merits. The present amendment is directed solely to the correction of formal errors, one of which was noted by the Examiner in the *Ex Parte Quayle* communication mailed November 3, 2004.

A response was due January 3, 2005. Applicants request a two-month extension of time for filing a response. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the extension fee (\$450.00, Fee Code 1252) to Deposit Account 02-4270, Docket No. 6319-1662. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Amendments to the Specification appear on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings are described on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

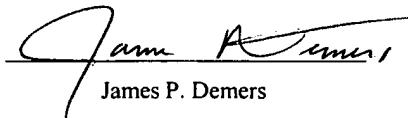
Substitute drawings, sheets 1-6, are enclosed herewith in duplicate.

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